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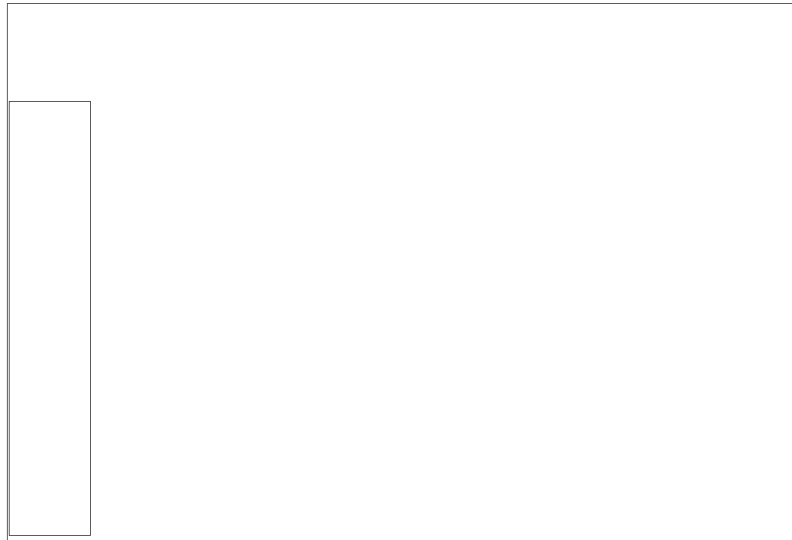
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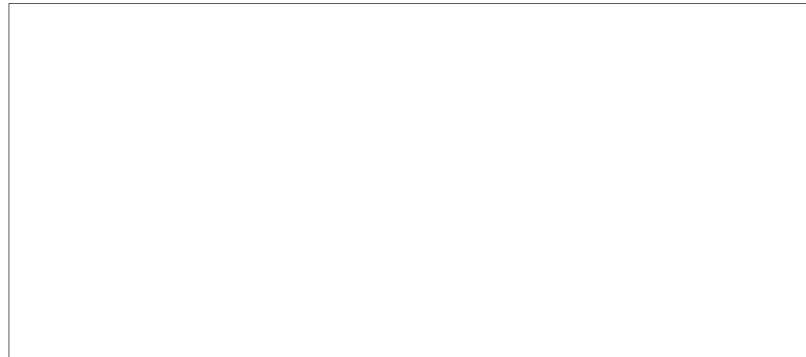
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Sudan: Denying Chemical Weapons Investigation

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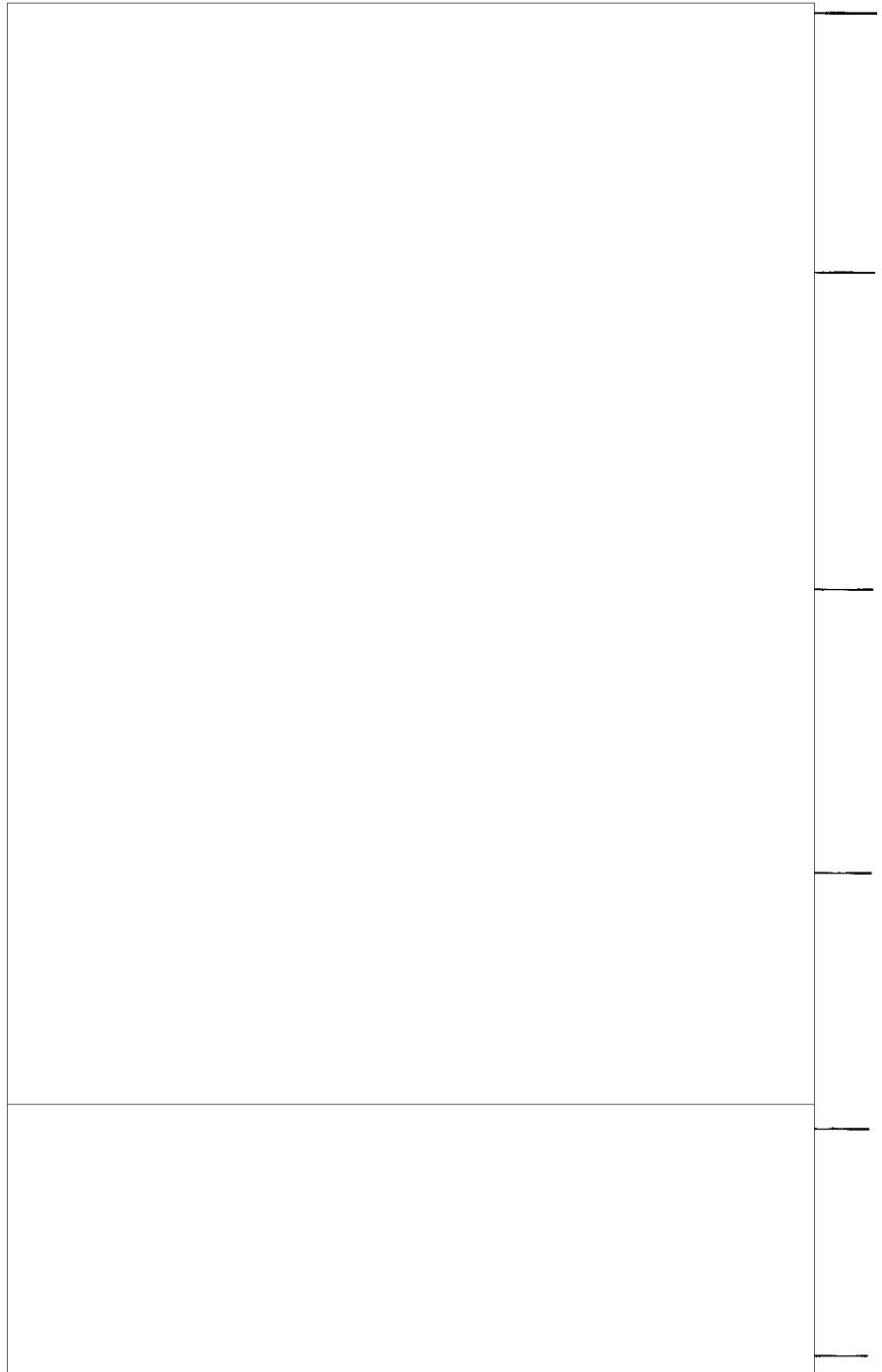


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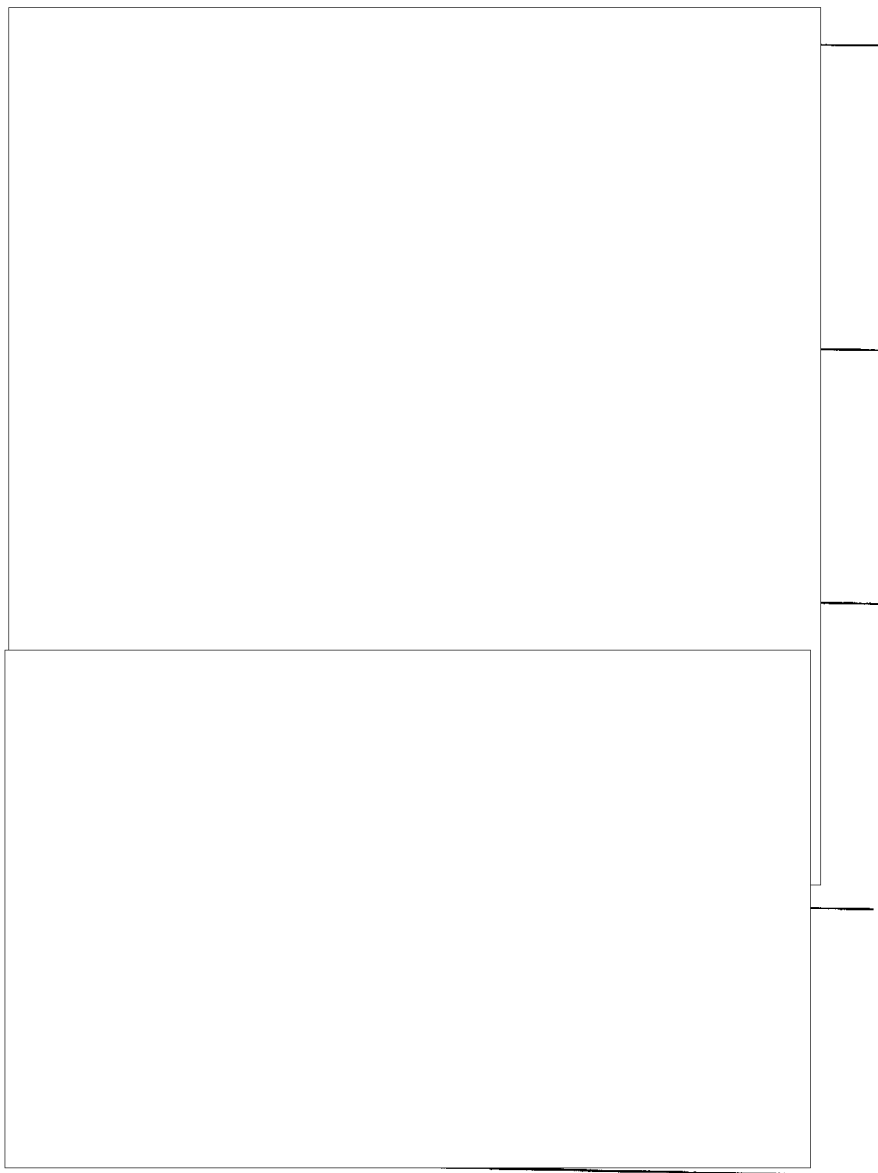
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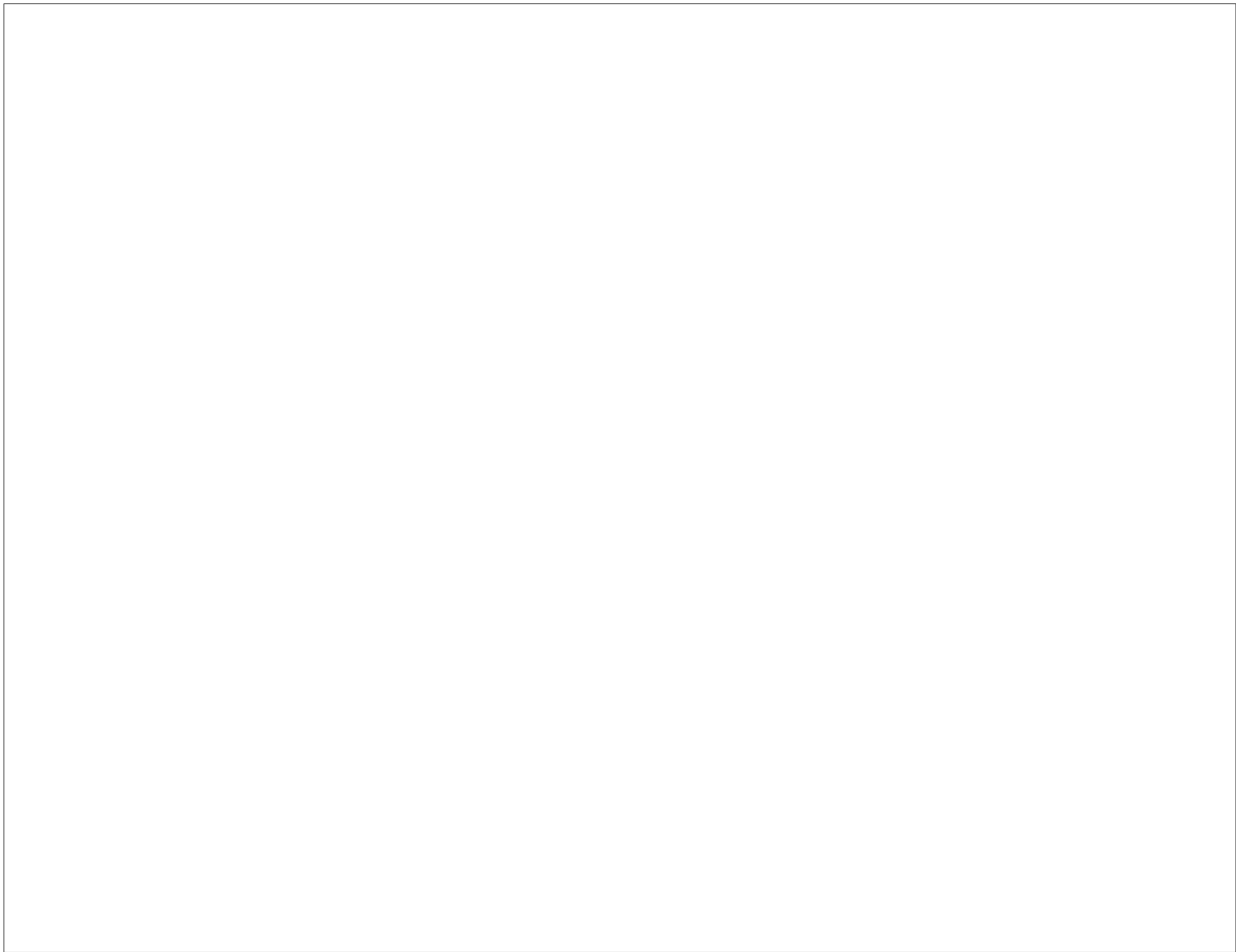


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**Sudan: Denying
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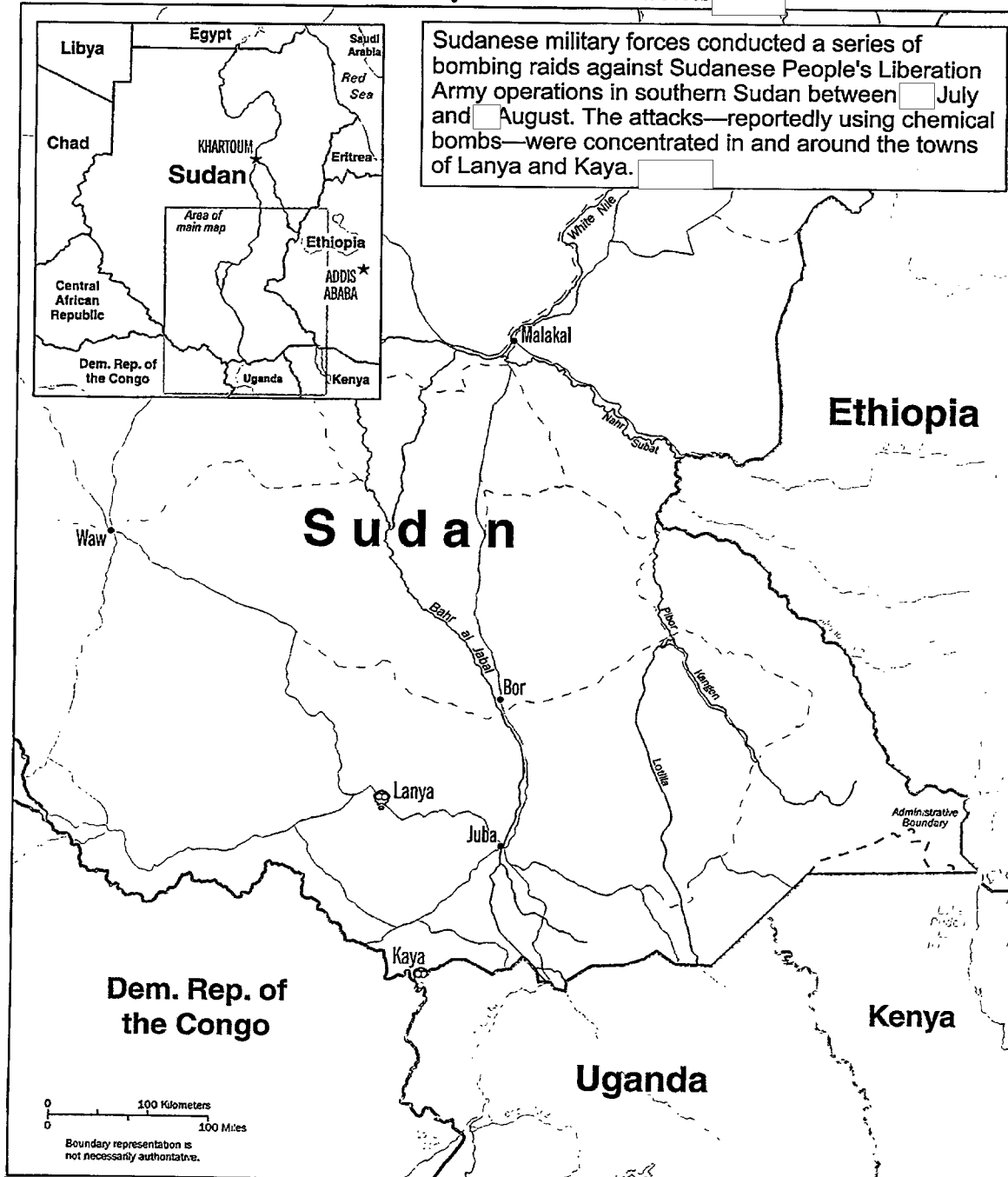
Khartoum has backtracked from earlier statements welcoming a UN investigation into allegations of chemical warfare (CW) agent use in southern Sudan and is demanding a quid pro quo US agreement to a UN investigation of the strike on the Al-Shifa pharmaceutical plant in Khartoum, according to Sudanese media reports. Sudan—which in May ratified the Chemical Weapons Convention—denies that it has produced or used CW against southern rebels.

- Given the time elapsed since the strike, an investigation of the al-Shifa facility would be unlikely to yield conclusive evidence of CW-related activity at the site. ☐

The UN and relief organizations are increasingly concerned about reports from relief workers that chemical bombs were used against two rebel villages late last month. The reports, however, are contradictory and probably exaggerated to serve the rebels' political agenda.



Sudan: SPLA-Controlled Towns Bombed by Sudanese Armed Forces



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- An assessment of reported symptoms does not suggest the use of traditional lethal CW agents, but samples being analyzed by international organizations may yield more information on the agents used.

